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## A Master Iranian Musician Performs at Mason District Park

Hear Kayhan Kalhor, an internationally acclaimed Iranian kamancheh player and master of classical Persian music, during the Fairfax County Park Authority’s free Spotlight by Starlight Summer Concert Series. The performance will be held Friday, August 22, 2014 from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Mason District Park.

Kalhor was born in Tehran, Iran, and began his musical studies when he was seven. At age 17, he started working with the Shayda Ensemble of the Chavosh Cultural Center, the most prominent arts organization in Iran. Kalhor never stopped learning and has traveled extensively throughout Iran, studying the music of its many regions. He later moved to Rome and Ottawa to learn European classical music.

He has toured the world as a soloist with various ensembles and orchestras, including the New York Philharmonic and the Orchestre National de Lyon. He has also played alongside famous Iranian vocalists, composed music for television and film, and performed at esteemed locations such as Carnegie Hall in New York City. Kalhor has released a total of 14 albums and three of his recordings have been nominated for Grammys.

Mason District Park is located at 6621 Columbia Pike in Annandale, Va.

The Summer Entertainment Series is made possible by the Fairfax County Park Authority, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, the Fairfax County Park Foundation and generous contributions from local businesses and corporate sponsors.

For weather-related cancellations, call 703-324-SHOW (7469) one hour before the show. For information about the Summer Entertainment Series, visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances/](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances/) or call 703-324-8662.

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